

SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS COMMUNICATIONS

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Sedgwick County Fire District Lifts Burn Ban

(Sedgwick County, Kansas) – Sedgwick County has been under a BURN BAN since August 22, but with the precipitation brought on by the recent rains, and the lower temperatures forecasted, the Fire Marshal has lifted the BAN. (For unincorporated areas of Sedgwick County only this does not include the City of Wichita).

The Sedgwick County Fire Department emphasizes to the public to be aware of sources of ignition that could start an unwanted fire. These may include open burning, discarded smoking materials, cooking grills, and discarded ashes from fireplaces.

All types of open burning in Sedgwick County **REQUIRE** a valid burn permit. To obtain a burn permit, go to any Sedgwick County Fire Station or contact the Fire Prevention Offices at 744-0471. For those persons that had valid permits at the time the ban was placed into effect may use those permits, and they will be extended by one week. All others that wish to burn must obtain a permit from any of the area Sedgwick County Fire Stations.

"We want to remind people to take precautions when burning outdoors," said Sedgwick County Commission Chairman Tim Norton. "We ask that all citizens please be careful!"

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